## FISCAL NOTE

# SB 730 - HB 1193

February 17, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires health care professionals who suspect someone has suffered serious harm, bodily injury, or death as a result of medical malpractice to file a confidential report with the Board of Medical Examiners, which will determine appropriate disciplinary action. Failure to report such harm or injury is a Class C misdemeanor.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

#### Assumptions:

- Present procedures used in processing complaints filed against health care professionals include reviews of reports by the Board of Medical Examiners and investigations into alleged malpractice.
- The Board of Medical Examiners will not incur a significant impact in expenditures to implement this requirement. The Board, by statute, is self-supporting such that revenues equal expenditures.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenues or expenditures.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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